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-- WITH EC-9 AND OECD

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1. AS FOLLOW-UP TO OUR EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT EFFECTIVE US
MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY (REFTELS), DEPT HAS BEEN REVIEWING
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VARIOUS SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING ITS CONSULTATIONS WITH

EC-9 AND OECD ON ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO US THAT ARISE IN INTERNATIONAL FORA. DEPT'S INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION ARE LISTED BELOW. CONSULTATIONS IN NATO FORUM HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED SEPARATELY. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO COMMENT ON PROPOSALS SET OUT BELOW AND TO SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANY ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS. COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM INFO ADDRESSEES ARE ALSO WELCOMED. REPLIES ARE DESIRED BY MARCH 5.

2. CONTACTS WITH EC-9

A. IN THE SPRING ROUND (APRIL 29-30) OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL US CONSULTATIONS WITH THE EC COMMISSION, WE PLAN TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (PARTICULARLY UNCTAD) WHERE US-EC COOPERATION WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

B. WE MAY HAVE A COORDINATING SESSION WITH THE EC-9 POLITICAL DIRECTORS WHEN THEY MEET IN NEW YORK JUST PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE 31ST UNGA. BEFORE PROPOSING THIS TO THE EC-9, HOWEVER, WE WILL WANT TO ASSESS THE RESULTS OF THE EC-9'S APRIL AND JULY CONSIDERATION OF TINDEMAN'S PROPOSAL FOR HIGH-LEVEL TALKS WITH THE US ON THE CONTENT OF AND PROCEDURE FOR US-EC COOPERATION.

C. IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE TIMELINESS OF OUR CONSULTATIONS ON UN ISSUES WITH EC-9, WE WILL, AS APPROPRIATE, BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE EC-9 VIA THE PRESIDENCY, WITHOUT WAITING FOR SCHEDULED EC-9 MEETINGS, ANY ISSUES WHICH ARE TIME SENSITIVE. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE EC-9 SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS SET-UP ENABLES THE PRESIDENCY TO TRANSMIT OUR VIEWS QUICKLY AND DIRECTLY TO THE OTHER 8 COUNTRIES. (FOREGOING WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO OUR ONGOING CONSULTATIONS WITH EC-9 THROUGH PRESIDENCY FOR SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF POLITICAL DIRECTORS AND MINISTERS ON POLITICAL COOPERATION.)

D. AT THE UN, IN VIEW OF OFTEN FAST PACE OF DEVELOPMENTS ON UN VOTES AND GROWING EC COHESION ON VOTING POSITIONS, WE PLAN REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WITH EC-9 GROUP IN NEW YORK THROUGH PERMREP OF COUNTRY IN EC-9 PRESIDENCY. THIS IS INTENDED TO COMPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT, OUR CONFIDENTIAL

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CONSULTATIONS WITH EC-9 IN BRUSSELS AND BILATERALLY IN CAPITALS.

3. OECD. IN VIEW OF INCREASED OECD INVOLVEMENT IN NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES WHICH ARE ALSO TREATED IN UN STRUCTURE, USUN AND US MISSION TO OECD ARE REQUESTED TO KEEP EACH OTHER FULLY INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH ISSUES. WE COMMEND CURRENT PRACTICE BY BOTH MISSIONS OF INCLUDING

EACH OTHER AS INFO ADDRESSEES ON RELEVANT TELEGRAMS.
DEPT WILL ALSO ENDEAVOR TO KEEP BOTH MISSIONS INFORMED
OF PERTINENT INSTRUCTIONS AND DEVELOPMENTS.

4. WEO CAUCUSES AT UNGA. IN VIEW OF HOSTILE RESOLUTIONS
WHICH EMERGED FROM UNGA COMMITTEES 3 AND 4 AT 30 UNGA,
REQUEST THAT USUN CONSULT WITH WEO MISSIONS IN EFFORT
TO ACTIVATE WEO GROUP CAUCUSES FOR THOSE COMMITTEES
SO THAT US VIEWS AND POSITIONS CAN HAVE EARLIER AND
ENHANCED INFLUENCE ON POSITIONS OF WEO COUNTRIES.

5. VINCI GROUP.

A. ALTHOUGH WE ARE UNCERTAIN OF ACTUAL PRACTICE, IT
WOULD APPEAR DESIRABLE FOR USUN TO MAINTAIN HIGH-LEVEL
PERMANENT CONTACT FOR LIAISON WITH VINCI GROUP,
ESPECIALLY DURING UNGA.

B. IN CONTEXT OF VINCI GROUP CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK,
WE WOULD WELCOME RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING POSSIBILITY
AND ADVISABILITY OF HAVING MALTA, WHICH IS MEMBER OF NON-
ALIGNED GROUP, DROPPED FROM MEMBERSHIP, AND HOW THIS
COULD BEST BE ACCOMPLISHED. KISSINGER

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